



Delerium, "Epiphany" DVD

For fans of Darkwave and Industrial, Delerium needs no introduction. For those unfamiliar, however, the live DVD *Epiphany* could serve as fantastic primer into the strange and baroque world where Electro-Pop and World Music collide on the dance floor.

Formerly of Industrial legends Skinny Puppy, Bill Leeb created *Delerium* as a side-project to his better known Industrial and Electronic project *Front Line Assembly*. His work with artists and producers such as Michael Balch and Rhys Fuber would help to define the modern Industrial genre. *Delerium*, on the other hand, represents a departure from his traditional work. Having worked with Leigh Nash (from *Sixpence None The Richer*) and Sarah McLachlan, *Delerium* has made a name for haunting and beautiful use of disparate instruments, operatic vocals, sampled chanting, and other elements from far-flung corners of the Earth and musical genres. The band is often compared to acts such as *Enigma* but this conclusion is surface only; Leeb and Co. have a stronger sense of classic instrumentation and are willing to slip into darker territory without becoming threatening or overly esoteric.

Epiphany captures live performances from 2008. The video captures perfectly the spirit of *Delerium's* work, and would be a welcome addition to the collection of not only die-hard fans of the band's unique output, but for anyone with an eclectic taste or love of the primal sounds of world culture. Most remarkable is that for a style of music that is so heavily reliant on sampling and keyboards, the "Delerium experience" is perfectly reproduced live, no small feat in an age where so many younger bands are reliant on studio tricks and editing, making live performances more difficult than ever before.

While the music of *Delerium* (and subsequently, *Epiphany*) may not be everyone's cup of tea, it is impossible to deny the otherworldly appeal and positively sublime effect that they have. If you want something heady and seductive added to audio/visual experience, look no further than this video. Not to be missed!

Set List:

- Angelicus
- Love
- After All
- Terra Firma
- Innocente
- Self-Saboteur

- The Way You Want It To Be
- Twilight
- Flowers Become Screens
- Silence
- Incantation
- Forgotten Worlds

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